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State restricts license of King County nursing assistant

OLYMPIA — State health officials have restricted the credential of Federal Way nursing assistant Bethuel Gathu (NAC.NC.60389860) pending further legal action.

Gathu can only work in a setting in which a supervisor is on the premises and in visual range of any patient Gathu is assisting. Gathu is alleged to be unable to perform his duties with reasonable skill and safety due to a physical or mental condition.

Gathu has 20 days to respond to the charges and ask for a hearing.

Legal documents in the case are available by clicking the link to [Provider Credential Search](#) on the [agency home page](#) (doh.wa.gov) or by calling 360-236-4700.

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